

REMARKS

By the foregoing amendment, Applicants have more clearly defined the specific structure of the invention. In particular, each of the claims now require that the nanostructures each have a metallic and dielectric combination, said metallic and dielectric being located adjacent each other, said metallic having a short surface and a long surface, and said dielectric extending only partially along said long surface of said metallic. The claims are believed to be patentably distinct from any of the art of record and reconsideration and allowance is therefore respectfully solicited.

Should there be any fees due and owing as a result of the within amendment, or should there be any fees paid in excess of any required amount, with respect to this application, the Examiner is authorized to charge any such amount due and owing, or credit any such fees paid in excess to Deposit Account No. 50-1529.

Respectfully submitted,

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